

Manufacture of Monolithic Telescope with a Freeform Surface, Phase I

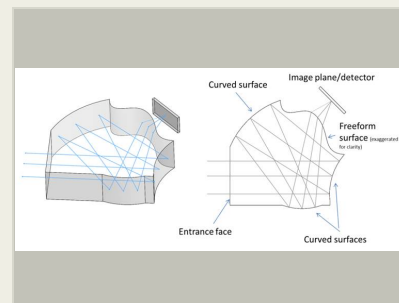
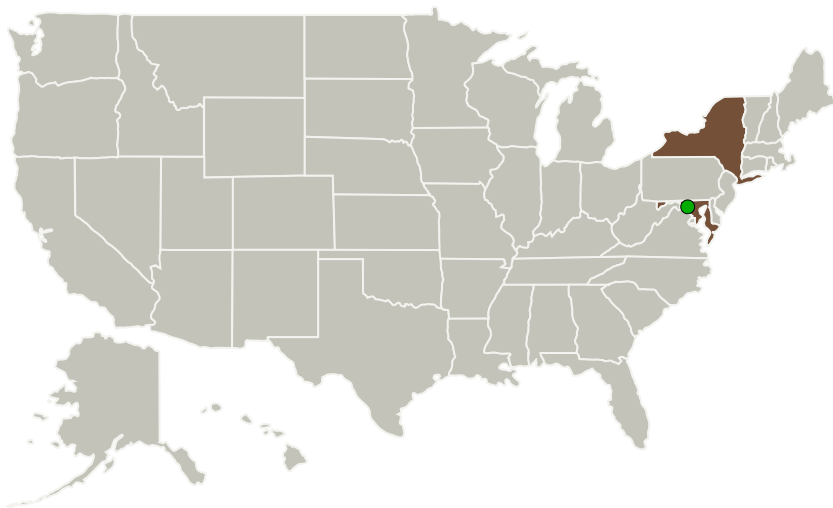
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Project Introduction

Monolithic freeform telescopes offer the potential to positively address the size, weight and vibration concerns associated with flight telescope systems. We propose to prove feasibility that our optics manufacturing process is capable of producing of a freeform optical telescope system by manufacturing and testing four optical surfaces on four sides of a single high purity optical material. The resulting working monolithic telescope will include a high precision freeform surface. The capability of in adding of a freeform surface in a monolithic optical telescope design offers flexibility to create more compact designs, larger fields of view, and better-performing unobscured systems.

Primary U.S. Work Locations and Key Partners



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Organizations Performing Work	Role	Type	Location
Optimax Systems, Inc.	Lead Organization	Industry	Ontario, New York
 Goddard Space Flight Center(GSFC)	Supporting Organization	NASA Center	Greenbelt, Maryland

Primary U.S. Work Locations

Maryland	New York
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Project Transitions

June 2015: Project Start

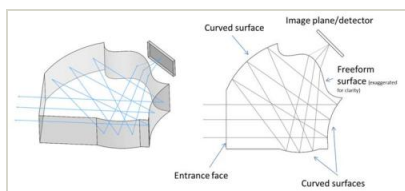
December 2015: Closed out

Closeout Summary: Manufacture of Monolithic Telescope with a Freeform Surface, Phase I Project Image

Closeout Documentation:

- Final Summary Chart Image(<https://techport.nasa.gov/file/139075>)

Images



Briefing Chart Image

Manufacture of Monolithic Telescope with a Freeform Surface, Phase I
(<https://techport.nasa.gov/image/127516>)

Organizational Responsibility

Responsible Mission Directorate:

Space Technology Mission Directorate (STMD)

Lead Organization:

Optimax Systems, Inc.

Responsible Program:

Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Tech Transfer

Project Management

Program Director:

Jason L Kessler

Program Manager:

Carlos Torrez

Principal Investigator:

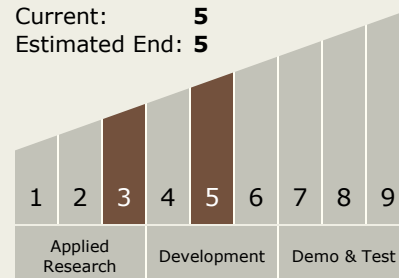
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Technology Maturity (TRL)

Start: 3

Current: 5

Estimated End: 5



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Technology Areas

Primary:

- TX12 Materials, Structures, Mechanical Systems, and Manufacturing
 - └ TX12.4 Manufacturing
 - └ TX12.4.3 Electronics and Optics Manufacturing Process

Target Destinations

The Sun, Earth, The Moon, Mars, Others Inside the Solar System, Outside the Solar System